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ABSTRACT

The essays in this collection contribute to the ongoing discussion about the state of Irish education on the threshold of a new century. The various contributors examine issues that will be priorities for education planners in Ireland. These essays have been collected as a tribute to Irish educator and politician Michael Enright. The essays are: (1) "To Be a Child" (Donnelly); (2) "Getting the Basics Right" (O'Toole); (3) "Quality--the Key Debate in Education" (Bruton); (4) "Inclusiveness in Education" (Hyland); (5) "School Is Becoming a Thing of the Past" (Gilmore); (6) "Teacher Professionalism in an Era of Change" (Lennon); (7) "Catholic Church Influence in the Management of Second-Level Schools" (O'Flaherty); (8) "Attempts To Tackle Disadvantage--Blitzkrieg or Phoney War?" (Deffely); (9) "Further Education--Challenge and Opportunity" (Dorney); (10) "From Clockwork to Porridge: Is There 'One Right Way' To Manage Schools?" (O Bradaigh); (11) "Computers in the Classroom: A Question of Control" (Trench); (12) "Barriers to Entering Higher Education" (Clancy); (13) "Higher Education: Who Benefits from Its Development?" (Puirseil); (14) "What Kind of Change for Universities?" (O'Hare); (15) "Green Light for a Learning Society? The Green Paper 'Adult Education in an Era of Lifelong Learning'" (Hurley); (16) "Lifelong Learning--The Role of Unions as Knowledge Brokers" (Cassells); (17) "'Still Alien There?' Northern Protestants and the Irish Language Revival" (O Drisceoil); (18) "Coming of Age: Issues for the Institutes of Technology" (Riordan); (19) "Looking Back To Look Forward: The City of Dublin VEC and Adult Education" (Cooke); (20) "Aspects of Irish Education and Training in a European Context" (Langford); and (21) "Towards the Learning Society: Responsiveness and Accountability" (Martin). Two tributes in memory of Michael Enright are attached, one by Davy Hynes and one by Proinsias O Drisecoil. Each paper contains references. (SLD)

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